

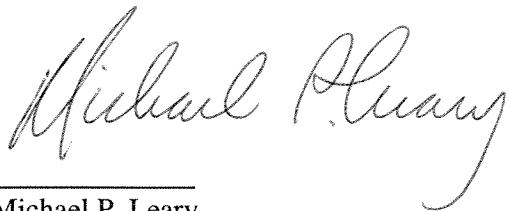
REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Examiner has required an election of one of two Inventions and one of 7 Species he has identified in the Office Action of June 14, 2006. The Examiner identifies two inventions. He states that Invention I includes claims 15-28, drawn to a power tool, and Invention 2 includes claims 29-35 drawn to a handle assembly. The Applicants respectfully note, however, that claims 15-21 and 29-35 are directed to a handle assembly, while claims 22-28 are directed to a power tool (although Applicants note that the preamble of dependent claims 25-28 erroneously and inconsistently begin by reciting "A handle assembly according to"). Therefore, the Applicants elect, without traverse, to prosecute the handle assembly of claims 15-21 and 29-35.

Furthermore, the Applicants elect, without traverse, to prosecute Species 1 defined by the Examiner as the embodiment of Figure 2. Claims 15-21 and 29-35 read thereon. The Applicants note, however, that these same claims read at least on the embodiment of Fig. 3 (Species 2).

Claims 22-28 are withdrawn.

Respectfully submitted



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